

ISIS BENEDICT ARNOLDS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, evil ISIS has arrogantly beheaded yet another Westerner. This time, a British aide worker, David Haines, was executed. His assassin was an ISIS masked outlaw with a British accent.

ISIS has been heavily recruiting turncoat citizens in the United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States. These American passport holders are particularly dangerous since they can easily slip back into our country undetected and bring ISIS' reign of terror to our homeland.

That is why I have introduced the FTO Passport Revocation Act. This legislation would authorize the revocation or denial of passports and passport cards to individuals who fight with foreign terrorist organizations.

The Benedict Arnold traitors who have turned against America and joined the ranks of the terrorist army ISIS should lose their right to reenter the United States. This bill will help law enforcement locate these individuals overseas by preventing them from traveling internationally so that they can be captured and brought to justice.

Once Americans cross over to the dark side and go to war against us, they are not welcome back—unless they are in handcuffs.

And that is just the way it is.

VOTING RIGHTS IN OHIO

(Ms. FUDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Speaker, 2 weeks from today, Golden Week will begin in the State of Ohio. This is a one-stop voting opportunity that will allow Ohio residents to register and cast in-person absentee ballots at the same time. But for the U.S. district court ruling against the GOP-led general assembly, Ohio voters would not have this opportunity.

According to a Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights report, African American voters made up 78 percent of all early voting ballots in the country. There are people working in every State to make it more difficult for citizens, and particularly people of color, to exercise their right to vote. That is why it is critical for each of us to do all we can to protect it.

I support the Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2014, and I encourage my colleagues to do the same.

11TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

(Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 11th annual

National Preparedness Month and to urge all Americans to be disaster aware and take action to prepare.

According to FEMA, less than 40 percent of all Americans have an emergency plan. This startling fact is a reminder that our Nation must continue to prepare for all types of disasters.

As congressional cochair of National Preparedness Month, I hope all Members will join me in promoting the importance of preparedness. The first 72 hours after a natural disaster or terrorist attack are critical.

This September, urge your constituents and families to take action by creating an emergency kit that includes things like water, nonperishable food, phone chargers. Families should have communication plans and designate a meet-up point in case they get separated. And lastly, we should follow our first responders and Red Cross on social media. Taking these kinds of steps can save lives when disaster strikes.

Mr. Speaker, this month and every month, let's pledge to be disaster aware and take action to prepare.

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CHILDREN'S CARDIOMYOPATHY MONTH

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as Children's Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

Cardiomyopathy is a chronic disease of the heart muscle and it increases the risk of sudden cardiac arrest. Sudden cardiac arrest claims almost 300,000 lives in the United States every year. It is the leading cause of death for schoolchildren.

That is why I introduced the Teaching Children to Save Lives Act, which would help teach our students across the country the lifesaving skills of CPR and how to use an AED.

Additionally, I recently introduced the SAFE PLAY Act to help ensure the health and safety of students who are athletes. Some of them have cardiomyopathy as well.

This is an issue facing youth and families all across the United States. That is why I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing September as Children's Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month, participate in the first annual AED Hunt on the Hill tomorrow, and to cosponsor the SAFE PLAY Act and Teaching Children to Save Lives Act, because together we can make a difference.

PROHIBITING TSA FROM ACCEPTING NOTICE TO APPEAR FORMS

(Mr. MARCHANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I have introduced legislation to prohibit TSA

from accepting Notice to Appear forms as valid ID for clearing airport security.

Notice to Appear forms summon illegal immigrants to present themselves for removal hearings. They contain no real security features and can be easily forged.

After first denying it to the press, the TSA admitted to me that they were giving illegal immigrants special leeway by accepting Notice to Appear forms. This defies commonsense.

Those who violate our laws should never be held to a lower security standard than law-abiding citizens. It is a serious security risk. It is unfair to honest Americans. It must stop now.

I call on all of my colleagues to support this legislation. TSA must stop giving illegal immigrants special treatment.

CONSTITUTION WEEK

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, this is Constitution Week, the week that we honor our Constitution, drafted in 1787 on September 15 and signed on the 17th.

I spoke to a class about it in Memphis. I looked at the class, which is almost entirely African American, and I thought about the Constitution having in it slavery and not having in it a woman's right to vote.

Then I have been watching Ken Burns' "The Roosevelts" and seeing how Teddy Roosevelt would have thought about where we are today. Teddy Roosevelt and Franklin Roosevelt knew we needed a central government to work for the people. Teddy Roosevelt said the Constitution was for the people, not the people for the Constitution. He put right first and he fought the trusts and he looked after labor and he looked after the average American worker. He would have been repelled at the idea of not having a Voting Rights Act, as he had Booker T. Washington, the first African American in the White House.

He would have been concerned about what this Congress is doing today and the prospect of war and our power to declare war and not acting and not exercising our constitutional prerogatives.

The Ken Burns series is a tribute to two great men and a great family, Teddy and Franklin Roosevelt, who made America better. I wish this Congress would do the same.

FEDERAL RESERVE TRANSPARENCY ACT

(Mr. SMITH of Missouri asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I am proud today to stand up in support of legislation that I cosponsored that the House will consider later

today, H.R. 24, the Federal Reserve Transparency Act.

As the creator of U.S. monetary policy, the Federal Reserve is one of the most influential institutions in our government. Unfortunately, it is also mentioned as one of the most secretive institutions of government. This act would require the Federal Reserve System to submit itself to a full, fair, and open audit process.

President Harry Truman, from the great Show-Me State, once said that "secrecy and a free democratic government don't mix." In all of government, including the Federal Reserve, openness, transparency, and accountability are absolutely required. Hundreds of my fellow Missourians have contacted me asking to fully audit the Federal Reserve in just the first 15 months that I have been in office.

Mr. Speaker, it is time to audit the Fed.

ISIS

(Mr. MORAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, we are about to begin a very important and difficult debate. Both sides have strong, credible arguments. But I would urge those who are opposed to what the President has suggested to offer their own alternative. Because it does seem as though, while the President has chosen a bad option, it is the best of all the alternatives, and that is the difficulty.

ISIS is expanding exponentially in terms of the size of its force, its financial and military wherewithal. If ISIS was, for example, to be able to lay siege to Baghdad, where we have a substantial presence of American personnel, what do we do then? Clearly we would have to be militarily engaged.

This is a difficult debate, but I would urge those who chose any of the credible reasons for voting against it to tell us what they would do instead.

PAUL AND MARGARET McNAMARA

(Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor Paul and Margaret McNamara of Champaign, Illinois, for recently being recognized as Angels in Adoption by the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institution.

Dr. McNamara and Margaret are parents of six children, four of whom they have adopted. They made the decision to adopt because they understood that countless children across the globe are without a permanent family. After the births of their first two children, Daniel and Annie, they began looking into adopting children with special needs.

They adopted their son, Joseph, from South Korea, and then Jonathan from

India. When they learned that Joseph's sibling, David, was in foster care in South Korea, they adopted him as well.

The McNamaras have been extremely active in their community, as well as their church, in providing information and support to families considering adoption.

Adoption is a selfless act of kindness, and it is truly an honor to have the McNamaras in my district. Their dedication and continued community support are unprecedented, and we should take a moment to appreciate those who adopt both at home and abroad.

PANCREATIC CANCER

(Mr. BILIRAKIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of pancreatic cancer awareness. There are no early detection methods for pancreatic cancer, and treatment options are limited.

Over 130 million Americans suffer from a chronic condition or rare disease. Like pancreatic cancer, many have no cures and limited treatment options.

The 21st Century Cures initiative is a bipartisan effort to get cures and treatments to patients more quickly. Millions of Americans who suffer from cancer, including the nearly 50,000 with pancreatic cancer, will benefit from this initiative.

I held two 21st Century Cures roundtables in my district in August to hear from patients, patient advocates, researchers, clinicians, and representatives from medical device companies. Pancreatic cancer advocates participated as well.

Together, we can raise awareness and find cures and treatments for chronic and deadly diseases like pancreatic cancer.

RECOGNIZING CORNERSTONE'S SUSAN NEIS

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate and recognize Susan Neis and the 29 years of service to our community she has provided as executive director for Cornerstone Advocacy Service.

Susan's hard work began in 1985, when Cornerstone was just a few staff members and volunteers working together in one room out of a church in Bloomington. Under her leadership and her vision for preventing domestic abuse, Cornerstone has now grown to 80 employees who provide around-the-clock crisis counseling, emergency shelter services, and transitional housing to ten cities across Hennepin County.

I have spent time at Cornerstone myself, and I have seen firsthand the serv-

ices they provide in our community for adults and children who have been traumatized by domestic violence, by sexual violence, and human trafficking.

Mr. Speaker, the impact of Cornerstone's success is a reflection of Susan's hard work, her dedication, and her passion.

I would like to thank Susan for helping save lives, for serving our community, and I congratulate her on her successful tenure at Cornerstone, and I wish her the best in her retirement.

EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM

(Mr. MESSER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I have a radical idea: let's let parents choose where to send their kids to school, let's make it easier for them to save for their children's education, let's give every kid in America access to a great school. Our current education system works for many, but it is failing too many others.

Today, I introduced a bill to change that. My bill, H.R. 5477, lets Federal education dollars follow students. It lets parents use 529 education savings accounts on pre-K to 12 education expenses. It eliminates the cap on contributions to Coverdell education savings accounts and allows those funds to be used for home schooling.

Some may say our current system is the best we can do. But deep down we all know we must do better.

Let's give all students a chance no matter where they live. Let's pass the Enhancing Educational Opportunities for All Students Act and make that dream a reality for every child.

RECOGNIZING CASE MANAGEMENT

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize our Nation's case managers and the role that case management plays in our health care and our social services sectors.

October 12-18 marks National Case Management Week. During this time, we recognize the contributions case managers make each and every day and the role that they play in educating individuals about their health care options across the continuum of care.

While all too often overlooked, case managers are critical in improving health care outcomes for individuals across the country, promoting quality health care for patients.

As we continue to look at ways to improve health care delivery in America, let us not forget the role case managers play in cost-effective outcomes for patients.

Today, I offer my thanks and praise for our Nation's case managers. During